

LONDON EAST CENTRAL CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4/5, 2025 Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2.1-12

Today, the prophet Isaiah encourages us: "Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the LORD has dawned upon you." (Is 60:1). The light the prophet has seen is the star, which the Three Wise Men see in the East, like many other men. The Magi discover its meaning. Others consider it as something admirable, but that does not affect them. And, so, they do not react. The Three Wise Men realize the fact that, with the star, God is sending them an important message for which it is worthwhile leaving comfort and safety to take on the risks of an uncertain journey: the hope of finding the King leads them to follow the star, which the prophets had spoken of and which the people of Israel had been waiting for centuries.

They arrive in Jerusalem, the capital city of the Jews. They are sure that there they will be shown where the King has been born. Indeed, they will be told: "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet" (Mt 2:5). The news of the arrival of the Magi and their inquiry spreads around Jerusalem in a very short time: Jerusalem was, at that time, a small city and the presence of the Magi with their escort must have been noticed by all its inhabitants, thus "When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him" (Mt 2:3), the Gospel tells us.

Jesus Christ crosses the paths of the lives of many people who are not interested in Him. A little effort would have changed their lives; they would have found the King of Joy and Peace. This requires a willingness to look for Him, to move around, to ask without losing heart —like the Three Wise Men— to leave our comfort, our routine. It requires an effort to appreciate the immense value of finding Christ. If we do not find Him, we have not found anything in life, because only He is the Savior: finding Jesus is to find the Path that leads us to know the Truth that gives us Life. And without Him, nothing is worthwhile.

SUNDAY MASSES: SATURDAY

5:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 5:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

5:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

SUNDAY

8:00 am - OLC (En) 10:00 am - OLC (Pl) 10:00 am - St. Mary (It)

10:00 am St. Patrick (En) 12:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

12:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY

7:00 pm - St. Mary (En)

TUESDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 7:00 pm - St. Patrick (En)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En) 7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

THURSDAY

9:00 am - St. Patrick (En) 7:00 pm - OLC (Pl)

FRIDAY

7:00 pm - OLC (Pl) 7:00 pm - St. Mary (It)

SATURDAY

9:00 am - OLC (Pl)

1st Saturday of the month

CONFESSIONS OL CZESTOCHOWA

Saturday at 4:00 pm & before weekly Mass

ST. MARY

Saturdays at 4:00 pm & before weekly Mass

ST. PATRICK

Tuesday at 6:00 pm Saturday at 4:00 pm

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ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS		
	January 6 to 12, 2025	January 13 to 19, 2025
TUESDA 7:00pm Novena Mass	† Bruno Sinosic † Silvia Bettridge † Stan Rusin † Jagodics Laszlone † Dec'd members of St. Patrick CWL	TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 Mary of Perpetual Help 7:00pm Int. of Margit Hattayer Novena Mass † Wendlin Bratzel † Vince Petrucci † DeWit Family † Warren Houle
WEDNES 9:00 am	SDAY, JANUARY 8 Int. of Bob Ellery † Fr. Robert Couture	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 9:00am † Lawrence Bedard (Anniv.of death) † Betty Balance
THURSD 9:00am	AY, JANUARY 9 † Patricia Proctor † Christina Heffernan	THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 9:00am † Wanda Filice † B. Nzekwe
SATURDA 5:00pm	AY, JANUARY 11 <u>Baptism of the Lord</u> Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick † Heather & Jose Silveira	SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 2 Sunday Ordinary Time 5:00 pm Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick Int. for Unity among Christians
SUNDAY, 10:00am	JANUARY 12 <u>Baptism of the Lord</u> Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick Int.of the new executive of St. Patrick CWL	SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 2 Sunday Ordinary Time 10:00 am Intentions of Parishioners of St. Patrick Int. for Unity among Christians

ANNOUNCEMENTS - ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025

The first Sunday of the New Year is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The celebration reveals to us the beautiful truth that God wants to offer salvation to all. Anyone, who with sincerity of heart seeks Jesus is accept -able to God. We pray that many people of all nations and backgrounds will do so. This Sunday is also known as Little Christmas; Three Kings Day; Appearance of God to the World; Revelation of Christ to Mankind.

Wherever we are, join the Three Wise Men and bow before the Infant Christ today and pray for the Church, for our Parish Family, pray for Peace. Ask the Holy Spirit to purify us so that together we can shine more brightly and draw more people to Him.

Be the Epiphany - Manifestation that God's ways are wider than ours! As the Christmas Season is coming to an end, we must not forget all we have celebrated. We will slowly return to our daily routines but we bear within us the wonder and joy of the Incarnation.

Many thanks to all who decorated, cleaned, served in any capacity before and during the Christmas celebration Thank you for the Christmas cards, best wishes, gifts, sweets offered to us at the Parish. Thank you for your financial support during the Christmas Season. With prayers and gratitude may **God bless you all in 2025**.

JUBILEE 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE, PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

ST. PATRICK CWL NEWS

The general meeting for the members of CWL will take place on **Thursday**, **January 9**, **2025 at 1:00pm**, Parish Hall. Special topic: "Synod & Synodal Process".

The <u>installation</u> of the new CWL executives will take place on **Sunday**, **January 12**, 2025 at 10:00am Mass.

COFFEE SUNDAY AT ST. PATRICK

Everyone is invited to our first coffee Sunday in the New Year which will be held at St. Patrick Parish Hall in January 12 after the 10:00am Mass. Come & meet others.